

**Ohua Avenue – Kanekapolei Street
April 29, 2003**

Pedestrian Routes

- Kuhio sidewalk widening unnecessary, most people walk on Kalakaua Avenue
- Sidewalks aren't wide enough for bus drop-offs, people can get hit
- Beautification – why no pedestrian bridge across the Ala Wai, so residents can cross to clubhouse. Need to take the long route around the library, and it's dark. Take advantage of things across the canal, how about non-motorized row boats/ferries
- Kuhio Avenue sidewalk widening unnecessary
- No bridge and boats on Ala Wai. Want peace and quiet
- Uses bus. Sidewalk widening is need on Kuhio Avenue
- Along narrow sidestreets, pavement a problem, City should go in to pave
- Beautification good for sidewalks, but need to deal with crime (prostitution, loitering, drugs, etc.)
- Liked the event plaza idea, as long as it doesn't affect traffic flow

Safe and Accessible Neighborhoods

- Paoakalani Avenue- there are a lot of trees, but not enough lighting
- No parks
- Disagree with park issue – no money to maintain it – large park already exists (Kapiolani Park)
- Safer community needed
- Need more lights

Loading

- Loading zone ideas good and needed

Bike Routes

- Extend bike path beyond Waikiki
- There should be bike paths on major streets
- Bike path is an excellent idea
- City Council looking at reduction in money for bike programs in general – not specific
- Bike path- widen sidewalk along canal (over the canal) without taking parking/traffic lane
- Traffic caused by many reasons- don't need to lose traffic lane
- Bicycling – there are three options 1) go against traffic on Kalakaua Avenue, 2) down Ala Wai Boulevard, 3) do down Kuhio Avenue riding along with buses. It's dangerous in all three cases. Bikes on sidewalks and gets a ticket
- Keep Ala Wai parking. Move lighting fixtures to align with palm trees and add bike path instead of removing lane
- Illegal bicycling, running over pedestrians on sidewalks

Parking

- Parking on Paoakalani Avenue should be for a limited period (restrictions)
- There are too many parks. How about parking?
- If parking is going to be at the Tusitala vacant site, Kaiulani Avenue circulation needs to be addressed. How about converting Kaiulani Avenue into a one-way road makai bound. Kanekapolei Street is two way, handling traffic between Kuhio Avenue and Ala Wai Boulevard. Reverse traffic on Cleghorn Street. There should be no buses on Kaiulani Street, it's a narrow, residential street
- Is smart metered parking the solution?
- Parking – major problem, meters and charging residents adds to problems. Don't make parks, add parking
- Parking – old proposal City was going to add marked parking. How about multi-level parking. If parking is reduced, seniors have to walk farther. How about building a parking lot for residents, lottery and free for seniors
- Some people take advantage of free parking. How about marking tires

Traffic Circulation

- Synchronize signals if it doesn't affect flow
- Difficult to make turns around corners with 44 foot container (truck)
- Transient traffic – keep out vs. managing the situation. Therefore reducing traffic good idea
- Against lowering the speed limit on Ala Wai Boulevard
- Traffic shouldn't be slowed down – circulation along Ala Wai is good flow
- Flow in Waikiki needs to be improved – one way streets
- Kuhio gets additional traffic when there are events
- If speed limit is reduced, how will the tow truck companies make their money?

Signage

- Signage for directions needed to help tourists

Other

- Like Waikiki as is.
- Don't raise taxes
- Save money for homeless. Issue must be addressed. The homeless movement started in Chinatown – Ala Moana – Waikiki
- No more tiki torches. Affects the air quality
- Need to consider costs. What's going to happen in 10 years? Don't think "band-aid" mentality
- Kuhio businesses responsible for drawing people to Kuhio Avenue. As more people walk along Kuhio Avenue, then widen sidewalk
- The homeless hang out at parks
- Likes improvements recommended. Waikiki should have less noise, less traffic. Does the plan address noise issues – car alarms, car stereos, emergency vehicle sirens, etc.?
- Buses – Use City Bus as transportation because too hard to drive around

- The Bus is best transportation in Waikiki. Bus faces a lot of congestions – how about bus priority lane so they don't have to wait
- Special events block off Kalakaua Avenue and no one to direct traffic for continuous flow, especially the Kapahulu/Kalakaua intersection
- Little police resources
- Kick homeless out
- Remove overhead utility lines

Other written comments:

- Has any thought been given to building a 3 or 4 story parking structure on the already existing parking lot at the end of Monsarat-Paki Avenue? Parking is badly needed. Comments from residents say they hesitate to come to Waikiki because lack of parking.
- There are children who live in Waikiki. You were a child once. You needed a place to play near your house.
- Container trucks with containers measuring 44 feet need to turn when they service the businesses. (hotels, apartments when people move).
- Please no more tiki torches. How long can a person hold his breath under water. Five minutes without air and most people drown. If we light a candle and we cover it with a cup, it will run out of oxygen very soon and the flame dies out. Tiki torches are detrimental to air quality. The single most important features of Waikiki is good air out of your window.
- The faster cars go through, the less traffic jam.
- Noise pollution – motorcycle isn't a rental from Waikiki Lanai. Too noisy.
- Clean up Tusitala empty lot and sidewalks
- Controlling noise level on Ala Wai would be good if possible. No loud sirens in middle of night – motorcycles
- Before you go ahead with this plan, I think you should solve the crime in Waikiki (drugs, prostitutes). Beautification is a good idea, but we should solve this problem first, so it will be attractive for our tourists and residents.
- Please put in a few bridges over the Ala Wai so that we can attend functions on the Mauka side and the people on the mauka side can walk to Waikiki to enjoy this side of the island.
- Highlighted Tusitala-Kapili-Cleghorn (flyer): One way road busy between 6:30 – 8:30 am. ABC store on corner of Kuhio Avenue and Kapuni Street – delivery need to change time